

Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by countries in January 2019

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The value of foreign trade turnover in billion PLN

Foreign trade turnover¹ in January this year according to exports at current prices amounted to PLN 77.6 bn, while imports amounted to PLN 77.8 bn. The negative balance reached the level of PLN 0.2 bn, while the same period last year was positive and amounted to PLN 2.1 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of the 2018, exports increased by 4.6%, and imports by 2.0%.

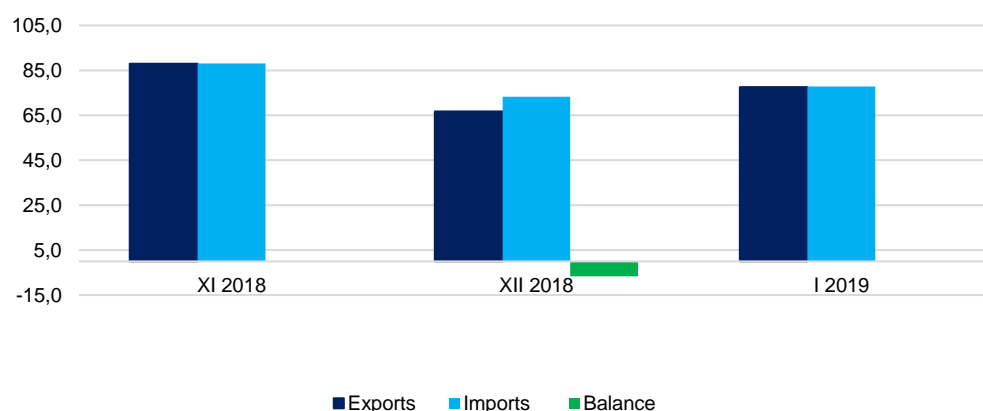
Index of exports amounted to PLN 104.6

Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 20.6 bn USD while imports amounted to USD 20.7 bn (a decrease in exports of 1.4% and in imports of 3.9%). The negative balance reached the level of USD 0.1 bn, while the same period last year amounted USD 0.6 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 18.1 bn while imports amounted to EUR 18.2 bn (an increase in exports of 2.5% and in imports of 0.1%). The negative balance reached the level of EUR 0.1 bn and EUR 0.5 bn in the same period in 2018.

Chart 1. Turnover in the last three months in PLN billion



Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries

Poland has the largest share in total exports with developed countries – 88.2% (of which EU 81.6%), and imports – 64.9% (of which EU 57.7%), as against 88.3% (of which EU 82.1%) and 65.1% (of which EU 58.4%) in the corresponding period of the previous year. However, the smallest share was observed in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, which in total exports amounted to 5.2%, and in imports – 8.7%, as against 4.9% and 8.7% in January 2018.

The high share of developed countries in trade in goods is affected by high turnover with the EU

Note. Due to the rounding of data, in some cases sums of components may slightly differ from the amount given in the item "total".

¹ Collection of data on foreign trade turnover is open. Data published formerly is updated according to new customs documentation and INTRA-STAT declarations.

The negative balances were recorded with developing countries – minus PLN 15.3 bn (minus USD 4.1 bn, minus EUR 3.6 bn) and with countries Central and Eastern Europe – minus PLN 2.8 bn (minus USD 0.7 bn, minus EUR 0.7 bn). The positive balances were obtained in turnover with developed countries PLN 17.9 bn (USD 4.8 bn, EUR 4.2 bn), of which EU countries a balance of PLN 18.4 bn (USD 4.9 bn, EUR 4.3 bn).

Table 1. Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries

SPECIFICATION	I 2019						2018	2019
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I 2018 = 100			I	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Exports	77.6	20.6	18.1	104.6	98.6	102.5	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	68.4	18.2	16.0	104.4	98.4	102.3	88.3	88.2
of which EU	63.3	16.8	14.8	103.9	98.0	101.8	82.1	81.6
of which euro-zone	45.4	12.1	10.6	104.2	98.2	102.1	58.6	58.4
Developing countries	5.2	1.4	1.2	102.3	96.4	100.2	6.8	6.6
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	4.0	1.1	0.9	110.8	104.4	108.5	4.9	5.2
Imports (country of origin)²	77.8	20.7	18.2	102.0	96.1	99.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	50.5	13.4	11.8	101.7	95.8	99.6	65.1	64.9
of which EU	44.9	11.9	10.5	100.8	95.0	98.8	58.4	57.7
of which euro-zone	35.6	9.5	8.3	100.0	94.3	98.0	46.7	45.7
Developing countries	20.5	5.5	4.8	102.8	96.9	100.7	26.2	26.4
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	6.8	1.8	1.6	102.2	96.3	100.1	8.7	8.7
Balance	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	X	X	X	X	X
Developed countries	17.9	4.8	4.2	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	18.4	4.9	4.3	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	9.8	2.6	2.3	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-15.3	-4.1	-3.6	X	X	X	X	X
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-2.8	-0.7	-0.7	X	X	X	X	X

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

In January this year among the main trade partners of Poland there was an increase in exports to Russia, United States, Netherlands, Hungary, United Kingdom, France, Italy Germany and Sweden and imports – from China, Netherlands, Spain, France, Belgium and Germany.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports in January 2019 accounted for 67.8% (67.5% in the same period last year), while total imports – 64.2% (against 65.5% in January 2018).

The share of Germany in exports decreased in comparison with the corresponding period of last year by 0.5 pp and amounted to 28.0%, and imports has decreased by 0.4 pp and accounted for 22.4%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 4.3 bn (USD 1.2 bn, EUR 1.0 bn) against PLN 3.8 bn (USD 1.1 bn, EUR 0.9 bn) in the same period of 2018.

In January with our main trade partners we recorded a decreased in turnover in exports only with Czech Republic by 4.2%

² Country of origin is the country where the commodity was produced or processed and in this form entered the Polish customs zone.

Table 2. Foreign trade turnover by major countries

SPECIFICATION	I 2019						2018	2019
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I 2018 = 100			I	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	21.7	5.8	5.1	102.6	96.8	100.6	28.5	28.0
2. United Kingdom	5.1	1.4	1.2	108.4	102.2	106.2	6.4	6.6
3. Czech Republic	4.8	1.3	1.1	95.8	90.3	93.9	6.7	6.2
4. France	4.8	1.3	1.1	107.7	101.6	105.6	6.0	6.1
5. Netherlands	4.0	1.1	0.9	114.2	107.7	111.9	4.7	5.1
6. Italy	3.4	0.9	0.8	103.2	97.2	101.1	4.5	4.4
7. Hungary	2.3	0.6	0.5	113.0	106.5	110.7	2.7	2.9
8. United States	2.2	0.6	0.5	115.6	109.0	113.3	2.6	2.9
9. Sweden	2.2	0.6	0.5	101.2	95.4	99.2	2.9	2.8
10. Russia	2.2	0.6	0.5	116.7	110.0	114.4	2.5	2.8
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	17.4	4.6	4.1	100.4	94.6	98.3	22.8	22.4
2. China	9.7	2.6	2.3	102.8	96.9	100.7	12.4	12.5
3. Russia	5.2	1.4	1.2	97.1	91.5	95.1	7.1	6.7
4. Italy	3.5	0.9	0.8	97.2	91.6	95.2	4.7	4.5
5. France	2.8	0.8	0.7	101.9	96.1	99.8	3.7	3.7
6. Netherlands	2.8	0.7	0.7	102.7	96.8	100.6	3.6	3.6
7. Czech Republic	2.7	0.7	0.6	96.9	91.4	95.0	3.6	3.4
8. United States	2.0	0.5	0.5	95.9	90.4	94.0	2.8	2.6
9. Belgium	1.9	0.5	0.4	101.7	95.9	99.7	2.5	2.4
10. Spain	1.8	0.5	0.4	102.7	96.8	100.6	2.3	2.4

The share of Russia in imports decreased by 0.4 pp compared to the same period of 2018 and it was 6.7%

Imports by country of consignment in total and by groups of counties

The highest turnover in imports by country of consignment Poland recorded with the developed countries - PLN 56.6 bn, of which the EU – PLN 52.9 bn, compared to PLN 56.5 bn, of which the EU - PLN 53,5 bn in the same period of 2018.

Table 3. Imports by country of consignment in total and by groups of counties

SPECIFICATION	I 2019						2018	2019
	bn	bn	bn	I 2018 = 100			I	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ³	77.8	20.7	18.2	102.0	96.1	99.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	56.6	15.1	13.2	100.2	94.4	98.1	74.1	72.8
of which EU	52.9	14.1	12.3	98.9	93.3	96.9	70.1	68.0
of which euro-zone	42.7	11.3	10.0	98.7	93.1	96.7	56.7	54.9
Developing countries	13.8	3.7	3.2	113.8	107.2	111.4	15.9	17.7
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	7.4	2.0	1.7	96.7	91.2	94.8	10.0	9.5
Balance	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	X	X	X	X	X
Developed countries	11.8	3.1	2.8	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	10.4	2.7	2.5	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	2.7	0.8	0.6	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-8.6	-2.3	-2.0	X	X	X	X	X
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-3.4	-0.9	-0.8	X	X	X	X	X

Imports by country of consignment – by countries

The share of Germany in imports by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was higher by 4.6 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 1.7 pp, Belgium by 1.3 pp and Russia by 0.6 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – by countries

SPECIFICATION	I 2019						2018	2019
	bn	bn	bn	I 2018 = 100			I	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	21.0	5.6	4.9	99.2	93.5	97.2	27.8	27.0
2. China	6.5	1.7	1.5	111.9	105.5	109.7	7.6	8.3
3. Russia	5.7	1.5	1.3	90.6	85.4	88.8	8.2	7.3
4. Netherlands	4.1	1.1	1.0	97.8	92.2	95.8	5.5	5.3
5. Italy	3.4	0.9	0.8	95.2	89.8	93.3	4.7	4.4
6. Czech Republic	3.1	0.8	0.7	97.9	92.3	95.9	4.2	4.0
7. France	3.0	0.8	0.7	101.7	95.9	99.6	3.9	3.9
8. Belgium	2.9	0.8	0.7	102.4	96.5	100.3	3.7	3.7
9. Sweden	2.0	0.5	0.5	98.5	92.9	96.5	2.6	2.6
10. United Kingdom	1.9	0.5	0.4	102.5	96.6	100.4	2.4	2.4

Imports from China according by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was lower about 4.2 pp

³ Country of consignment is the country from which the goods were introduced into the Polish territory irrespective of their origin.

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